

CITY OF RIVERSIDE FIRE DEPARTMENT





Incident Name: Potomac

Incident Location: 7800 Block of Potomac

Type of Incident: Residential Structure Fire

Incident Number: 19-0009421 **Date Reported: 03/31/2019**

Time Reported: 12:34 AM

Fatalities: 0 Critical: 0 Moderate: 0 Minor: 0 Non Injury: 0

Transported Ground Ambulance(s): 0

Control Time: 03/31/2019 0342

Loss: \$0 **Save: \$0**

Evacuations: No

Cause: Under investigation

Evacuation Comments:

RESOURCES ASSIGNED

Fire Fighters: 23 **Overhead Personnel:** 3 **Utilities:** No

Engine Companies: 3

Ambulance(s): 1 Red Cross: No

Truck Companies: 2

Water Tenders: 0

Displaced Persons: No

Specialized Equipment: Breathing Support

CURRENT SITUATION

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The City of Riverside Fire Department responded to a report of a residential structure fire in the 7800 Block of Potomac Street. The 1st due Engine Company arrived on scene and reported a single-story, single-family dwelling well involved in fire. Riverside firefighters made an aggressive interior attack on the structure, while the Truck Company provided vertical ventilation of the roof. The structure was also searched for trapped occupants. Due to the volume of fire, an additional Engine and Truck Company along with an AMR ambulance, and a Breathing Support unit were requested to the incident. Firefighters were able to bring the fire under control in 30 minutes, but not before it had gutted the garage, and heavily damaged the interior of the structure. The fire appeared to have started in the garage where large amounts of flooring adhesives and chemicals were stored. The exposed chemicals fueled the fire, causing it to burn vigorously throughout the garage and into the home. The fire displaced a total of 8 occupants, 3 adults, 2 teens, and 3 children. The occupants were able to find alternative housing. Riverside City Firefighters remained on scene for over 3 hours provided salvage and overhaul to the badly damaged structure. There were no civilian or firefighter injuries during the incident.

COOPERATING AGENCIES

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